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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: 1977 MULTILATERAL ISSUES
AND EVENTS

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1. SUMMARY. DEPT EXPECTS EXTREMELY HEAVY AGENDA OF
MULTILATERAL ISSUES AND EVENTS IN 1977. THIS MESSAGE
PROVIDES INFORMATION ON THESE FOR POSTS' USE IN PLANNING
THEIR RESOURCES AND WORKLOAD. END SUMMARY.

2. MANY MULTILATERAL ISSUES AND MEETINGS ARE NOW INCLUDED
IN MAJOR POLICY REVIEWS IN DEPARTMENT AND USG. RESULTS
OF THESE REVIEWS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO POSTS AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE, BUT LEAD TIME FOR SOME INSTRUCTIONS IN SOME
INSTANCES WILL BE SHORTER THAN WE HAVE TRIED AND WILL
CONTINUE TO TRY TO PROVIDE FOR POSTS. INFORMATION IN
THIS MESSAGE MAY BE USEFUL FOR POSTS IN PLANNING THEIR
RESOURCES AND WORKLOAD AND THEIR SCHEDULE OF DISCUSSIONS
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WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS.

3. PARA 4 BELOW PROVIDES AN ABBREVIATED LIST OF INTER-
NATIONAL MEETINGS FROM MARCH THROUGH SEPTEMBER, 1977.

THESE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN CHOSEN FOR THEIR IMPORTANCE
TO THE NORTH-SOUTH ECONOMIC DIALOGUE IN 1977 OR TO KEY
POLITICAL ISSUES. AMONG THESE SHOULD BE MOST OF THOSE ON
WHICH AT LEAST SOME POSTS HAVE OR ARE LIKELY TO RECEIVE
INSTRUCTIONS OR REQUESTS TO ADVISE ON STRATEGY (XX).
HOWEVER, LIST MAY NOT BE EXHAUSTIVE EVEN FOR THESE
CRITERIA AND THERE LIKELY WILL BE ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS
AS YEAR PROCEEDS, OF WHICH POSTS WILL BE NOTIFIED
REGULARLY. FURTHERMORE, A NUMBER OF MEETINGS DEALING
WITH THE REGULAR BUT VERY IMPORTANT BUSINESS OF BODIES
LIKE ICAO AND IAEA HAVE NOT BEEN INCLUDED. LIST CLEARLY
OUTLINES 1977'S VERY HEAVY MULTILATERAL AGENDA.

A. MARCH 7-APRIL 1 - UNCTAD CONFERENCE ON A COMMON FUND

FOR COMMODITIES, GENEVA. XX
MARCH 7-9 - OAU/ARAB LEAGUE SUMMIT, CAIRO. XX
MARCH 24-25 - EUROPEAN COUNCIL MEETING, ROME. XX
MARCH 38-APRIL 1 - UNGA SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT -
FIRST PROPCON (PROCEDURAL), NEW YORK. XX
MARCH 28-APRIL 8 - INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP ON
ILLICIT PAYMENTS.
LATE MARCH - OAU MEETING ON LAW OF THE SEA, LAGOS.
LATE MARCH - EXTRAORDINARY OAU SUMMIT ON THE SAHARA
(UNCERTAIN).

B. APRIL 4-8 - INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL
DEVELOPMENT PREPARATORY CONFERENCE, ROME. XX
APRIL 6-11 - NACC FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING, NEW
DELHI. XX
APRIL 12-MAY 13 - ECOSOC, 62ND SESSION, NEW YORK. XX
APRIL 25-MAY 6 - COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS,
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NEW YORK.
APRIL 25-MAY 13 - UNESCO 102ND EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING,
PARIS. XX
APRIL 25-MAY 29 - UNCTAD TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD,
(EIGHTH SPECIAL SESSION), GENEVA.

C. FIRST WEEK MAY - DEVELOPED COUNTRIES' INTERNATIONAL
SUMMIT. XX
MAY 2-21 - 30TH WHO ASSEMBLY, GENEVA.
MAY 9-13 - WORLD FOOD COUNCIL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE,
ROME. XX
MAY 9-20 - UNGA SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT - SECOND
PREPCON (AGENDA), NEW YORK. XX
MAY 10-11 - NATO COUNCIL MINISTERIAL, LONDON. XX

MAY 16-JUNE 3 - ECOSOC COMMITTEE ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL,
NEW YORK.
MAY 23-28 - ILO 203RD GOVERNING BODY, GENEVA.
MAY 23-28 - UN CONFERENCE ON DECOLONIZATION, MAPUTO.
MAY 23-JUNE 8 (POSSIBLY 15) - UN LOS CONFERENCE,
NEW YORK. XX
MAY (DATE AND PLACE UNCERTAIN) - ISLAMIC FOREIGN
MINISTERS MEETING. XX
MAY-JUNE (DATE UNCERTAIN) - OAU LIBERATION COMMITTEE
MEETING, LUANDA.

D. JUNE 1-23 - ILO 63RD CONFERENCE, GENEVA.
JUNE 6-16 - FAO COUNCIL, ROME. XX
JUNE 7-17 - OAS SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, GRENADA.
JUNE 20-24 - WORLD FOOD COUNCIL, (3RD SESSION),
MANILA. XX

MID JUNE-MID JULY - UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL, GENEVA. XX
JUNE ?-OPENING OF CSCE FOLLOW-UP PREPARATORY MEETING,
BELGRADE. XX
JUNE 23-24 -OECD MINISTERIAL (PROPOSED), PARIS. XX
JUNE OR JULY - OAU SUMMIT (29TH SESSION), LIBREVILLE. XX
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JUNE ?-INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY MINISTERIAL. XX

E. JULY 6-AUGUST 5 - ECOSOC 63RD SESSION, GENEVA. XX

F. AUGUST (FIRST WEEK) - SEPTEMBER (FIRST WEEK) -
COMMITTEE OF 24, NEW YORK. XX
AUGUST 8 - ASEAN SUMMIT. XX
AUGUST 22-SEPTEMBER 2 - UNCTAD TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT
BOARD (SEVENTEENTH SESSION), GENEVA.

G. SEPTEMBER 6-9 - UNGA SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT
THIRD PREPCON (32ND GA RESOLUTION), NEW YORK. XX
SEPTEMBER 12-OCTOBER 7 - UNESCO 103RD EXECUTIVE BOARD
MEETING, PARIS. XX
SEPTEMBER 20-DECEMBER ? - 32ND UNGA, NEW YORK. XX
LATE SEPTEMBER - EARLY OCTOBER - MAIN CSCE FOLLOW-UP
MEETING, BELGRADE. XX

H. DATES NOT YET CERTAIN

- (1) RESUMPTION OF 31ST UNGA (ECONOMIC ISSUES), SUMMER. XX
- (2) LDC ECONOMIC SUMMIT. (MAY NOT BE HELD).
- (3) ASEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS ANNUAL MEETING.
- (4) UNCTAD MINISTERIAL, AUTUMN, GENEVA. XX
- (5) CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION
(CIEC) MINISTERIAL, PARIS. XX

5. A. ON ECONOMIC ISSUES, HIGH POINTS OF MULTILATERAL
AGENDA FOR NEXT SIX MONTHS IN 1977 ARE UNCTAD CONFERENCE

ON A COMMON FUND FOR COMMODITIES, CIEC MEETING IN PARIS,
RESUMED SESSION OF 31ST UNGA WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE
CALLED TO ASSESS RESULTS OF CIEC, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES'
ECONOMIC SUMMIT, AND LIKELY LDC ECONOMIC SUMMIT IN
PAKISTAN. CIEC AND UNGA ARE LIKELY TO TAKE PLACE CLOSE
TOGETHER. TIMING OF CIEC WILL DEPEND TO CONSIDERABLE
DEGREE ON TIME REQUIRED BY NEW US ADMINISTRATION TO
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REVIEW CENTRAL NORTH-SOUTH ECONOMIC ISSUES. MEETINGS OF

REGIONAL UN ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS, NON-UN REGIONAL GROUPS, NACC FOREIGN MINISTERS, UNCTAD (ESPECIALLY ON COMMODITIES), WILL, AMONG OTHER RESULTS, ACT ON EACH OTHER AND DIRECTLY TO CREATE IMPORTANT INFLUENCE ON SUBSTANCE AND ATMOSPHERE OF CIEC, RESUMED 31ST GA, AND 32ND GA, AND ON QUESTION OF WHETHER LDC ECONOMIC SUMMIT IS IN FACT CONVENED.

B. KEY POLITICAL ISSUES WILL FURTHER DEVELOP AT MEETINGS OF OAU, EC-9, ASEAN, OAS, NORDIC FOREIGN MINISTERS, AND ARAB LEAGUE. AS FORMED BY THOSE MEETINGS, THEY WILL BE DISCUSSED AT INTER-REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES SUCH AS AFRO-ARAB SUMMIT AND NACC FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETINGS, AND AT THE 32ND UNGA. PUERTO RICO MAY AGAIN BE CONSIDERED DURING AUGUST-SEPTEMBER MEETING OF COMMITTEE OF 24. US WILL MAKE FINAL DECISION ON WHETHER TO WITHDRAW FROM ILO AFTER JUNE 1-23 ILO GENERAL CONFERENCE.

C. LOS AND UNGA SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT PREPCON MEETINGS CAN BE EXPECTED TO BE INFLUENCED BY ATMOSPHERE CREATED AT SOME OF MEETINGS SUB-PARAS A AND B ABOVE. LOS IS EFFORT TO COMPLETE LONG SERIES OF NEGOTIATIONS WHILE SSOD PREPCON IS PREPARATION FOR NEW NEGOTIATIONS. BOTH LOS AND DISARMAMENT ARE ISSUES OF VERY HIGH AND PERMANENT INTEREST TO US. ACCORDINGLY, SPECIAL STRATEGIES FOR REPRESENTATIONS IN CAPITALS IN CLOSE CO-ORDINATION WITH ACTIVITIES OF USDELS ARE BEING DEVELOPED FOR THESE MEETINGS.

6. DEPT INVITES POSTS' COMMENTS, QUERIES, OR CORRECTIONS.

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